

MINUTES

Cass Co. Board of Health Minutes

March 13, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Gary Davis at 7:05pm

In attendance

Gary Davis
Dr. Cherie Bennett
Dustie Reed, MD
Zina Birnell
Dr. Christopher Ciotta, DVM
Dori Ditty, MD
Jeff Stanton
McCall Kitchel
Jan McKaig
Susie Bennett
Suzy Leicht
Lynda Kennedy

Review of Health Dept. Reports

New Business

Dr. Bennett praised the nurses on the care they are giving to TB patient. Dr. Bennett stated the State passed a partial ban on smoking in public places.

The November 13th, 2012 Board of Health meeting will be held at Logansport Memorial hospital in Conf. D/E

Dr. Ciotta asked about next meeting is the budget meeting. Dr. Bennett said yes next meeting is about the upcoming budgets. Dr. Bennett stated that the health department doesn't have any more to give without taking away the services the state says we are to provide. If budget cuts are asked of the Health Department, we need to look at raising the prices of the services we provide.

Administration

Lynda reported that the Health Department is in the process of hiring a part-time Medical Assistant and Part-time Environmentalist and the funds to pay them would come from the Local Health Maintenance Fund and the Local Health Trust Fund.

Nursing Report

Nothing further to add.

Food Sanitation

McCall stated that work is in progress for a couple of new establishments and she has permitted a couple of new temporary places.

Environmental

Lynda stated that Rob is at a conference for Vector Control. Rob and Lynda have been working on preparedness requirements.

Vital Records

Dr. Bennett stated the electronic records of death certificates is going well and saving funeral directors time.

Health Education

Jan re-stated the State passed a law to ban smoking in public places where children 18 years of age and under are present. Jan is working on a sub-committee of the Better Health for Cass County Coalition concerning tobacco use. Jan stated that the statistic of kids smoking in Cass County is way above the Indiana average.

CCHD Attorney

Jeff stated that the litigation list has pared down by one third since the last meeting. However, he knows he has more cases coming.

Next Meeting

May 15, 2012

Motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Chris Ciotta and seconded by Zina Birnell. Board passed unanimously.